

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title : DELAY CIRCUIT AND METHOD

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**PETITION TO MAKE A PATENT APPLICATION - JOINT INVENTOR CANNOT BE  
REACHED  
37 CFR §1.47**

Sir:

Messrs. Mario Paparo and Piero Capocelli respectfully petition under 37 CFR §1.47(a) to make the above-referenced patent application ("the application") on behalf of themselves and Mr. William A. Phillips. Mr. Phillips is a joint inventor with Messrs. Paparo and Capocelli, and cannot be found or reached to join in the application for patent.

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.47(a), proof of the pertinent facts relating to the undersigned's efforts to contact Mr. Phillips and his last known address are set forth below.

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**37 CFR §1.8  
CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted via the Office electronic filing system, EFS-Web, addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on the date indicated below.

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February 27, 2009  
Date

1. On August 10, 2001, the instant application was filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The application is entitled DELAY CIRCUIT AND METHOD, and received application serial number 09/927,426. The Application names the following inventors: Messrs. William A. Phillips, Mario Paparo, and Piero Capocelli, all of whom were employed by the assignee, STMicroelectronics, Inc. ("STMicroelectronics"), at the time the parent application was filed.

2. Mr. Phillips' last known address is 4708 Holly Tree Drive, Dallas, Texas 75287.

3. A reissue declaration executed by all of the inventors was submitted in the instant application on June 25, 2008.

4. In the Office Communication mailed August 21, 2008, the Examiner required a supplemental oath or declaration be submitted to include the extensive amendments made since the filing of the previous declaration.

5. On December 8, 2008, a first email was sent to STMicroelectronics requesting current contact information for each of the inventors. Ms. Angie Rodriguez, a Paralegal employed with STMicroelectronics, responded, providing current email addresses for Messrs. Paparo and Capocelli and indicating that she did not have any contact information for Mr. Phillips; she suggested asking Messrs. Paparo and Capocelli for any contact information they might have for Mr. Phillips. A copy of the email string between the undersigned and Ms. Rodriguez is attached as Exhibit A.

6. On December 11, 2008, the undersigned emailed Messrs. Paparo and Capocelli requesting execution of the supplemental declaration and inquiring as to whether either of them had current contact information for Mr. Phillips. Copies of the relevant emails are attached as Exhibit B.

7. On December 12, 2008, Mr. Capocelli provided the supplemental declaration he had executed via email and indicated that he had no knowledge of Mr. Phillips' address. A copy of the relevant email is attached as Exhibit C.

8. On December 16, 2008, the undersigned sent a follow up email to Messrs. Paparo and Capocelli, a copy of which was sent to STMicroelectronics, summarizing progress made in obtaining the signed supplemental declaration, and again requesting either current contact information for Mr. Phillips or, alternatively, confirmation that none of the addressees of the email had current contact information for Mr. Phillips. A copy of the relevant email is attached as Exhibit D.

9. On December 16, 2008, Mr. Paparo responded to undersigned's email of December 12, 2008, including his signed copy of the supplemental declaration and confirming that he has no knowledge of Mr. Phillips' current address or occupation. A copy of the relevant email string is attached as Exhibit E.

10. On January 22, 2009, undersigned forwarded a physical letter enclosing a copy of the supplemental declaration for execution by Mr. Phillips to his last known address via UPS courier. Copies of the letter and tracking slip are attached as Exhibit F.

11. Three separate delivery attempts were made by the UPS courier service: first on January 23, 2009, then on January 26, 2009, and again on January 27, 2009. A copy of the tracking detail for the package is attached as Exhibit G.

12. Numerous attempts were made throughout this timeframe to locate Mr. Phillips via Social Networking and online database web sites including Facebook, LinkedIn, Google, Naymez, and Spoke. No attempt to contact any William Phillips resulted in success.

The required fee under 37 CFR §1.17(g) is submitted herewith. Should further payment be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such payment to Deposit Account No. 07-1897.

Respectfully submitted,

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